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#### CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST INTERNET MESSAGE

#### HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 29, 2019*

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Madam Speaker, today I rise to mark the 50th anniversary of the first message sent over the early internet and the important role played by the University of California, Los Angeles.

On this day in 1969, the team working on the Advanced Research Projects Agency Network, or ARPANET, led by Professor Leonard Kleinrock, attempted to send a login command to the Stanford Research Institute in Menlo Park, California. After sending and confirming receipt of the first two letters, "i" and "o", the attempt to send a "g" crashed Stanford's computer.

And so, the first message sent over a computer network turned out to be unintentionally meaningful: "LO" as in "Lo and behold." As Kleinrock said, "We didn't plan it, but we couldn't have come up with a better message: short and prophetic."

Kleinrock developed the mathematical theory that would facilitate packet switching as a graduate student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The ability of a network to transmit signals in discrete bundles of information instead of through a single burst underpinned much of the way the world communicates today. One erratic connection from one end of California to the other gave way to trillions of bytes of data flowing around the world every second.

As one of four Members of Congress who majored in computer science, I would like to recognize the contributions of Dr. Kleinrock and the UCLA Samueli School of Engineering for laying the foundations for information sharing and communication in the 21st century and the years to come.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 29, 2019*

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, regrettably, I was unable to attend the vote series for October 28, 2019. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 585, H.R. 2440 Full Utilization of the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund Act, and YEA on Roll Call No. 586, H.R. 2115 Public Disclosure of Drug Discounts Act.

#### HONORING THE 140TH ANNIVERSARY OF SAINT JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

#### HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 29, 2019*

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, I rise today in tribute to Saint John Evangelical Lutheran Church, a house of worship in Detroit, Michigan, as its members celebrate the church's one hundred fortieth anniversary, as well as Pastor Reverend Richard E. Robinson's twenty-five years in ministry.

Saint John Evangelical Lutheran Church was founded in 1879 under the leadership of Dr. Theol Emil Hardrat. The church and congregation quickly turned their focus to providing schooling for children. Throughout changes in leadership and building changes, the church and its school have persevered. Saint John Evangelical Lutheran Church has created a lasting legacy of prayer, praise, fellowship, and mutual aid that continues today under the leadership of pastor Reverend Richard E. Robinson. His twenty-five year career in ministry brought him to serve the Saint John congregation, where he has touched the lives of many. Whether praying for a good harvest, celebrating love in marriage, or marking the passing of a dear friend and loved one from this world, the members of Saint John Evangelical Lutheran Church have drawn strength from each other.

Please join me in tribute to Reverend Richard E. Robinson and the members of Saint John Evangelical Lutheran Church on this important milestone.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. RON KIND

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 29, 2019*

Mr. KIND. Madam Speaker, I was unable to have my votes recorded on the House floor on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 due to a family matter. Had I been present, I would have voted in favor of H.R. 4617. As a cosponsor of this legislation, I believe it would create critical safeguards to protect our elections. I would also have voted in favor of H.R. 777, which would reauthorize a key DNA backlog grant program.

#### RECOGNIZING COLONEL DANE W. POWELL

#### HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 29, 2019*

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, today I recognize Colonel Dane W. Powell of the Mississippi Army National Guard for his extraordinary dedication and service to our Nation. Colonel Powell will soon retire from an impressive 33-year career.

Colonel Powell, a lifelong Mississippian, joined the Mississippi Army National Guard in 1986 after his graduation from the University

of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. He is currently serving as the State Army Aviation Officer at Joint Force Headquarters for the Mississippi Army National Guard. His military service took him all around the world to areas including South Korea, Japan, St. Croix, Columbia, Barbados, and Uzbekistan. He was deployed to Iraq in 2004 to serve in Operation Iraqi Freedom II. During his career, Colonel Powell received many accolades for his outstanding service, including the Bronze Star Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal.

After retirement, Colonel Powell will continue his passion for flying as a pilot for PHI Air Medical and will fly for AirCare through the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson. He will wed his fiancée Lea Pentecost and looks forward to spending time with his children, London Addison Powell, Dane Whitney Powell II, Douglas Alexander Pentecost, and Carson Reese Pentecost.

On behalf of a grateful Nation, it is my honor to recognize the selfless service and sacrifice of a fellow Mississippian, Colonel Dane W. Powell. I wish him the best in his well-deserved retirement.

#### HONORING MR. EGON J. SALMON

#### HON. MAX ROSE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 29, 2019*

Mr. ROSE of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask all of my colleagues to join me in honoring the extraordinary courage and sacrifice of Egon J. Salmon, a veteran of World War II, on the 80th anniversary of his first attempt to flee Nazi Germany to the United States.

Egon J. Salmon was born on June 4, 1924, in Rheydt, Germany, near the borders of Holland and Belgium. When Egon was nine years old, Adolf Hitler became Chancellor of Germany, leading Egon to face mounting anti-Semitism throughout his schooling, particularly with the passage of the 1935 Nuremberg Laws. On Nov. 9, 1938, Egon was an eyewitness to Kristallnacht, the night of broken glass, when more than 250 synagogues in Germany were destroyed.

Egon's father Paul, who fought in the cavalry for the Kaiser in World War I and owned a major textile firm, was rounded up and arrested along with 30,000 Jewish men. He was taken by the Nazi SS to Dachau, the first Nazi concentration camp, and was released four weeks later on the condition that he immediately leave Germany. Paul entered the United States on a visitor's visa but was placed on a waiting list for a permanent visa. He then left for Cuba to await the arrival of his wife and two children in hopes of returning to the United States.

While Paul waited in Cuba for the family's U.S. quota number to be called, Egon, his mother Erna and 9-year-old sister, Edith, booked passage on the SS *St. Louis* to Havana on May 13, 1939. They were not permitted to disembark and on June 4th, Egon spent his 15th birthday watching the lights of Miami while the ship was sent back to Nazi Germany. No country, including the United States, would accept the Jewish refugees. They were finally given haven in Brussels,